

Remarks

Claims 46-62 were pending.

Claims 54-62 are canceled.

Claims 46-48 and 50-53 are amended.

Claims 46-53 are now pending.

Independent claim 46 is amended to require the presence of the compound of formula I in d) the electron transporting layer.

Claim 53 is amended to be consistent with claim 46.

The claims are otherwise amended to have the proper and intended punctuation and to correct typographical errors.

No new matter is added.

Applicants will file a further continuation application to re-capture the deleted compound claims.

Claim Rejections

Claims 46-62 are rejected under 35 USC 112, second paragraph, for reasons of record.

The claims are repaired by amendment as discussed above. In view of these amendments, Applicants submit that these rejections are addressed and are overcome.

Claims 46-62 are rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Sakon, et al., U.S. Pat. No. 5,077,142 in view of Schomaker, et al., *J. Org. Chem.* Vol. 66, pp. 7125,7128 (2001).

Claims 46-62 are rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Sakon in view of Schomaker and further in view of Fink, et al., U.S. Pat. No. 6,352,791.

The Examiner states in "Response to Arguments" that the Schafer Declaration does not demonstrate unexpectedly superior results commensurate in scope with the claims. As the present claims now require the presence of the compound of formula I in d) the electron transporting layer, Applicants submit that the results of the Declaration are now commensurate in scope to the claims.

The present light emitting layer and electron transport layer are clearly distinct as they are individually defined.

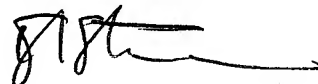
In view of the present amendments and the results of the Schafer Declaration, Applicants submit that the 35 USC 103(a) rejections are addressed and are overcome.

In view of all of the above, Applicants submit that each of the claim rejections are addressed and are overcome.

The Examiner is kindly requested to reconsider and to withdraw the present rejections.

Applicants submit that the present claims are now in condition for allowance and respectfully request that they be found allowable.

Respectfully submitted,



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Petition for a 2 month extension of time